

MICHAEL F. EASLEY GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 128 GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISPANIC/LATINO AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, the Hispanic/Latino community plays a vital role in the economy of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina has experienced a tremendous increase of Hispanic/Latino residents into the state; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic/Latino community is contributing to the economic development and progress of the state by working in different sectors of the labor market and by participating in civic affairs; and

WHEREAS, many unique challenges confront the Hispanic/Latino community as they attempt to access housing, health care, and employment services; and

WHEREAS, the state should promote and encourage collaboration and collaborative planning and delivery of services among state agencies that serve the Hispanic/Latino community.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of North Carolina, **IT IS ORDERED**:

Section 1. Membership Composition

The Governor's Advisory Council on Hispanic/Latino Affairs is hereby established. It shall be composed of 15 voting members who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. In addition to the 15 appointed members, the following or their designees shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting members:

- a. The Secretary of the Department of Administration
- b. The Secretary of the Department of Commerce
- c. The Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services;